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Applicant requests that the Examiner consider references which have been cited in a corresponding European Patent Application. The Search Report is dated June 21, 2004.

- EP 0 325 775 has been cited under Category A with the figures as well as column 3 line 2 39 indicated to be relevant to European claims 1 4. The reference discloses a underwater siting device or information gathering device. No translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time.
- GB 2014 has been cited under Category A with the figures as well as page 1 lines 5 11 and page 2 lines 16 30 indicated to be relevant to European claims 1, 3 and 4. The reference discloses a periscope and ventilating shaft of a submarine.
- EP 0 372 265 has been cited under Category A with the claims and the figures indicated to be relevant to European claims 1 and 5 7. The reference discloses a siting or

information gathering device for a submarine.

- U.S. 4,436,051 has been cited under Category A with the figures and column 2 line 4 - 67 indicated to be relevant to European claims 1 and 5. The reference discloses a hoisting and lowering mechanism for a rotatable mast.

- GB 17,404 has been cited under Category A with claim 1 and the figures indicated to be relevant to European claim 1. The reference discloses conning equipment for a submersible boat.

Consideration of the references is requested.

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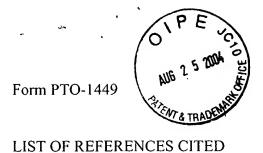
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